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THE HON. SRI O. P. RAMASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" (a) இல்லை."

" (b) ஆம்."

[(a) *The answer is in the negative.*

(b) *Yes.*]

Police jurisdiction for the Perambur extensions.

* 189 Q.—SRI P. R. K. SARMA : Will the Hon. the Home Minister be pleased to state—

(a) under the jurisdiction of which Police station the Perambur extensions, north of the railway line, are situated;

(b) what the present arrangements are for proper Police patrol and protection for the Perambur extensions, north of the railway line, at night and during day time;

(c) whether there have been cases of house-breaking, thefts and dacoities in the area recently and during the last four months;

(d) whether such cases have increased recently and whether the Civic Association in the locality or the citizens have asked the Government or the Police Commissioner for the establishment of a Police outpost in the area;

(e) whether there have been any complaints made to the Government of late that the citizens have to wander from one Police station to another, each pleading want of jurisdiction; and

(f) whether the Government will consider whether there is any need for a Police outpost in the locality immediately?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN : —" (a) The portion east of Madhavaram High Road is in the jurisdiction of Vyasarpadi Police station and the rest in the jurisdiction of the Sembiam Police station.

" (b) Night and day patrols are sent to the area.

" (c) There have been 4 house-breakings, 10 thefts and 1 robbery. There were no dacoities.

" (d) The crime is normal except for house-breaking. Petitions for opening an outpost in the area were received by the Commissioner of Police.

" (e) No. The Commissioner of Police has reported that the Sembiam Station Police, who are nearest to this locality, have always been helpful to the residents.

" (f) It is considered that there is no need for a separate outpost in the locality. It is proposed to take up the question of adding the entire area to the Sembiam Police station limits to achieve better control over criminals."

SRI H. M. JAGANNATHAM :—" Are Government aware that when complaints were taken to the Sembiam Police station with

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regard to robberies and thefts, the Police refused to accept them as they said the Vyasarpadi station alone had jurisdiction and not Sembiam Police station."

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I will ask the Commissioner of Police whether the facts as stated are correct."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know why Government could not get the full information in view of the fact that the question was given notice of some time back and as there is a specific complaint therein?"

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The answer is as full as we can obtain from the officers concerned."

" 'Harleys' Bildaword " Prize Competition.

* 190 Q.—ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR: Will the Hon. the Home Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to notices regarding " Harley's Bildaword " Prize Competition; and

(*b*) whether the Government will be pleased to take early steps to put a stop to this new form of gambling?

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

" (*b*) The Government are enquiring into the matter."

ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR :—" May I hand over a copy of the notice regarding 'Harley's Bildaword' to the Hon. Minister?"

MR. PRESIDENT :—" You need not tell me; you can hand it over."

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—" Even outside the House you can hand it over."

(The copy of the notice was handed over to the Hon. Minister.)

Selling price of rice in a ration shop at Poonamallee.

* 191 Q.—SRI C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Food be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that on 25th October 1947 the Taluk Supply Officer and Firka Supply Officer, Poonamallee, visited No. 6 ration shop in Poonamallee Cantonment and found that the rice was sold at Re. 0–8–0 per measure instead of at Re. 0–7–5;

(*b*) what action was taken in the matter;

(*c*) whether the Government are aware that similar black-marketing is going on in several ration shops; and

(*d*) whether the Government propose to take drastic action in this case?